Guantanamo Detainee Processes

Detainee Administrative Review

Definition/purpose: Annual review to determine the need to continue the detention of an enemy combatant. The review includes an assessment of whether the enemy combatant poses a threat to the United States or its allies in the ongoing armed conflict against terrorist such as al Qaeda and its affiliates and supporters and whether there are other factors bearing on the need for continued detention (e.g., intelligence value). Based on that assessment, a review board will recommend whether an individual should be released, transferred or continue to be detained. This process will help ensure no one is detained any longer than is warranted, and that no one is released who remains a threat to our nation's security.

Applies to: All GTMO detainees Link to fact sheet: http://www.defenselink.mil/releases/2004/nr20040623-0932.html

Responsibility: Designated Civilian Official **PA Point of Contact**: OARDEC PAO, <u>Capt. Beci Brenton</u> (Secretary of the Navy) 703-697-7391

OARDEC = *Office for the Administrative Review of the Detention of Enemy Combatants*

Combatant Status Review

Definition/purpose: A formal review of all the information related to a detainee to determine whether each person meets the criteria to be designated as an enemy combatant. (Enemy combatant is defined as an individual who was part of or supporting Taliban or al Qaeda forces, or associated forces that are engaged in hostilities against the United States or its coalition partners. This includes any person who has committed a belligerent act or has directly supported hostilities in aid of enemy armed forces.)

Applies to: All GTMO detainees Link to website: http://www.defenselink.mil/news/Combatant_Tribunals.html

Responsibility: Designated Civilian Official **PA Point of Contact**: OARDEC PAO, <u>Capt. Beci Brenton</u> (Secretary of the Navy) 703-697-7391

Commissions

Definition/purpose: Prosecute enemy combatants who violate the laws of war. Provides a fair and full trial, while protecting national security and the safety of all those involved, including the accused.

Applies to: Non-U.S. citizens, found to be subject to the President's military order of Nov. 13, 2001; primarily based upon the individual's participation in al Qaeda and acts of international terrorism. As of July 7, 2004, fifteen detainees have been found to be subject to the President's military orders.

Link to website: http://www.defenselink.mil/news/commissions.html

Responsibility: Office of Military Commissions **PA Point of Contact**: OMC PAO, Lt. Susan McGarvey 703-602-1924

Detainee Operations

Definition/purpose: - Detain enemy combatants to prevent combatants from continuing to fight against the U.S. and it allies. Includes a process to identify enemy combatants' threat and intelligence value. As of August 2, 2004, 156 detainees have departed GTMO either for release or for transfer to the custody of another government.

Applies to: All GTMO detainees Link to website: http://www.defenselink.mil/news/detainees.html

Responsibility: JTF GTMO PA Point of Contact: SouthCom Public Affairs and JTF GTMO Public Affairs

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Process	Definition/purpose	Applies to	Responsibility	Public Affairs lead
Admin Review	Annual review to assess	All GTMO	Designated Civilian Official	OARDEC PAO,
	whether an individual	detainees.	(Secretary of the Navy)	Capt. Beci Brenton
	should be released,			703-697-7391
	transferred or should			OARDEC = Office for
	continue to be detained,			the Administrative
	based on threat or			Review of the Detention
	continued intelligence			of Enemy Combatants
	value.			
Combatant Status Review	Determine whether a	All GTMO	Designated Civilian Official	OARDEC PAO,
	person meets the criteria	detainees.	(Secretary of the Navy)	Capt. Beci Brenton
	to be designated as an			703-697-7391
	enemy combatant. *			
Commissions	Prosecute enemy	Fifteen detainees	Office of Military Commissions	OMC PAO,
	combatants who violate the laws of war.	as of July 7, 2004.		Lt. Susan McGarvey
	the laws of war.	Non-U.S. citizens		703-602-1924
		based upon the individual's		
		participation in al		
		Qaeda and acts of		
		international		
		terrorism.		
Detainee Operations	Detain enemy	All GTMO	JTF GTMO	SouthCom Public Affairs
Detailee operations	combatants to prevent	detainees.		305-437-1202
	them from continuing to			
	fight against the U.S. and	As of September		JTF GTMO Public
	it allies.	22, 2004, 202		Affairs
		detainees have		011-53-99-3021
		departed GTMO		
		either for release		
		or for transfer to		
		the custody of		
		another		
		government.		

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